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Country Overview

table 1-1

National Population and Labor Force

(Millions)

	Canada			Mexico			United States		
	1990	1995	1996	1990	1995	1997	1990	1995	1996
National population, total	27.8	29.6	30.0	81.2	91.2	93.7	248.7	262.9	265.3
Females	14.0	14.9	15.1	41.3	46.3	48.0	127.5	134.3	135.5
Males	13.8	14.7	14.9	39.9	44.9	45.7	121.2	128.5	129.8
Age structure									
Ages 14 and under	5.8	6.0	6.0	31.1	32.3	32.7	53.5	57.2	57.7
Percent of total population	20.9	20.3	20.0	38.3	35.4	34.9	21.5	21.8	21.8
Ages 15-34	9.2	8.9	8.9	29.3	33.7	33.6	80.0	77.6	76.6
Percent of total population	33.1	30.1	29.7	36.1	37.0	35.9	32.2	29.5	28.9
Ages 35-64	9.7	11.1	11.5	16.9	20.9	22.8	83.9	94.7	97.1
Percent of total population	34.9	37.5	38.3	20.8	22.9	24.3	33.7	36.0	36.6
Ages 65+	3.1	3.6	3.6	3.9	4.3	4.6	31.2	33.4	33.8
Percent of total population	11.1	12.1	12.0	4.8	4.7	4.9	12.6	12.7	12.7
Urban population									
Percent of urban population	N	N	77.9	71.3	73.5	74.0	79.7	e79.8	e79.8
Population density									
Number of people (per square kilometer)	3	3	3	41	46	48	27	29	29
Labor force, total	14.3	14.9	15.1	31.2	35.6	36.6	125.8	132.3	133.9
Percent of total population	51.4	50.3	50.3	37.5	39.0	39.6	50.6	50.3	50.5

KEY: e = Data are estimated. N = Data are nonexistent.

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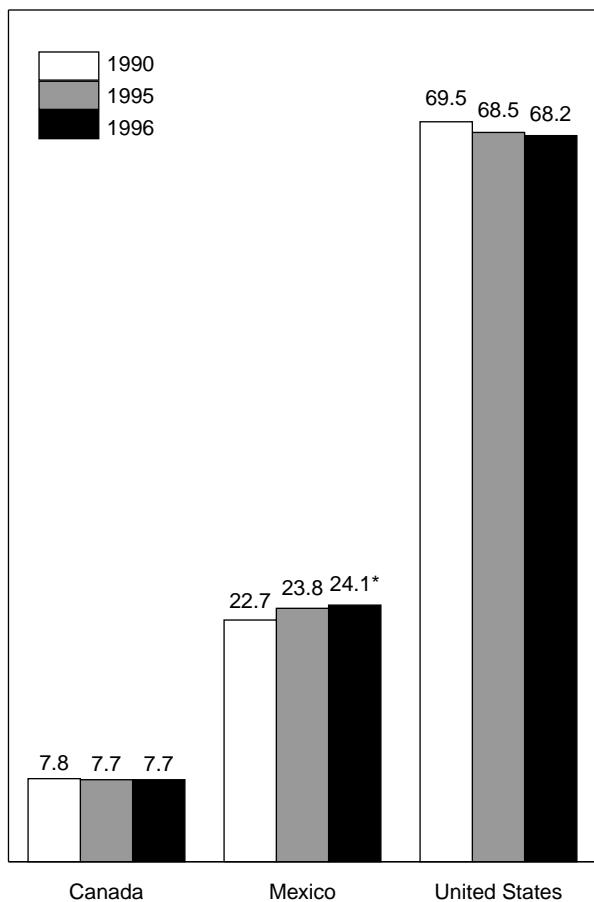
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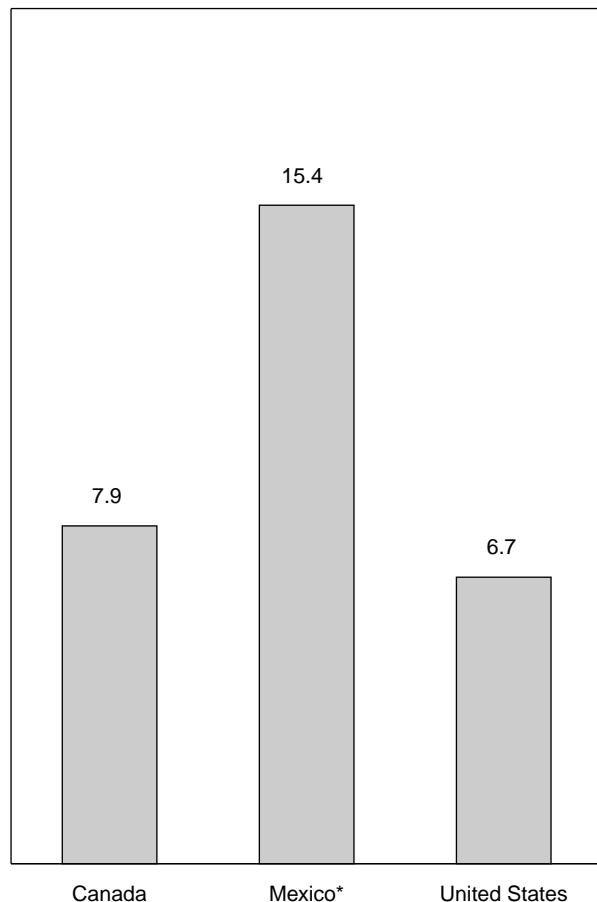
**Percent Share of North American Population:
1990, 1995 and 1996**



*Mexico's last data year is 1997.
Notes and sources: See Table 1-1.

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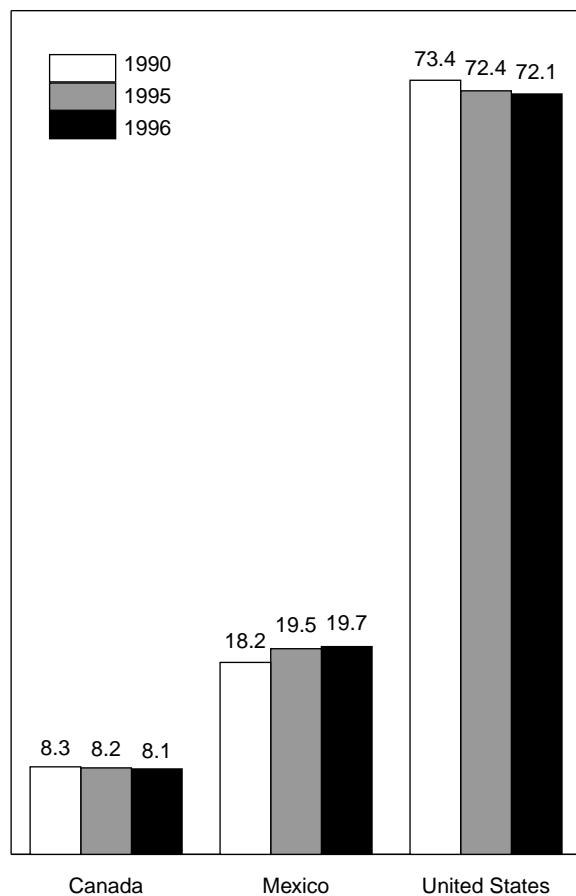
**Percent Change in
Population: 1990 to 1996**



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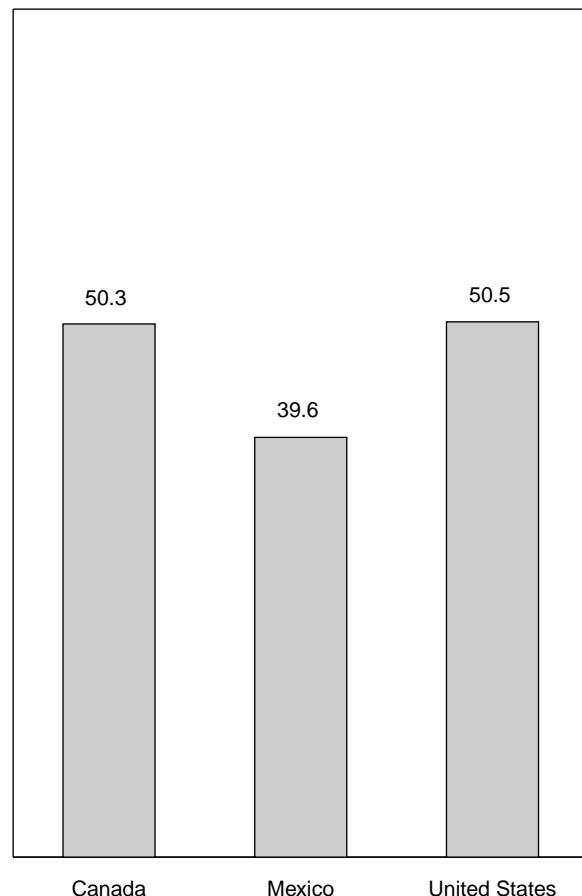
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Percent Share of North American Labor Force: 1990, 1995 and 1996



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Labor Force as a Percent of Total National Population: 1996



Notes and sources: See Table 1-1.

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t | a | b | l | e 1-1a**Top 25 Canadian Population Centers: 1996**

(Thousands)

Metropolitan area	1996	Metropolitan area	1996
Toronto, Ont.	4,445	Windsor, Ont.	292
Montréal, Que.	3,359	Oshawa, Ont.	281
Vancouver, B.C.	1,891	Saskatoon, Sask.	222
Ottawa, Ont.-Hull, Que.	1,031	Regina, Sask.	199
Edmonton, Alta.	892	St. John's, Nfld.	178
Calgary, Alta.	852	Chicoutimi-Jonquière, Que.	167
Québec, Que.	698	Sudbury, Ont.	166
Winnipeg, Man.	677	Sherbrooke, Que.	150
Hamilton, Ont.	650	Trois-Rivières, Que.	144
London, Ont.	416	Saint John, N.B.	129
Kitchener, Ont.	403	Thunder Bay, Ont.	131
St. Catherines, Ont.	390	Total of top 25	18,421
Halifax, H.S.	347		
Victoria, B.C.	313	Percent of total Canadian population	61.5

SOURCE: Statistics Canada. *Annual Demographics Statistics, Catalogue No. 91-213-XPB*. (Ottawa, Ont.: 1998).

t | a | b | l | e 1-1b**Top 25 Mexican Population Centers: 1995**

(Thousands)

Metropolitan area	1995	Metropolitan area	1995
Mexico City, D.F. (MZ)	16,674	Acapulco de Juárez, Gro. (City)	687
Guadalajara, Jal.(MZ)	3,462	Querétaro, Qro. (MZ)	680
Monterrey, N.L. (MZ)	3,022	Cuernavaca, Mor. (MZ)	672
Puebla, Pue. (MZ)	1,562	Aguascalientes, Ags. (MZ)	637
León, Gto. (MZ)	1,174	Chihuahua, Chih. (MZ)	628
Toluca, Edo. de Méx. (MZ)	1,080	Coatzacoalcos, Ver. (MZ)	594
Ciudad Juárez, Chih. (MZ)	1,012	Saltillo, Coah. (MZ)	583
Tijuana, B.C. (City)	992	Morelia, Mich. (MZ)	578
Torreón, Coah.-Gómez Palacio, Dgo. (MZ)	871	Orizaba, Ver. (MZ)	567
San Luis Potosí, S.L.P. (MZ)	782	Veracruz, Ver. (MZ)	560
Mérida, Yuc. (MZ)	780	Hermosillo, Son. (City)	559
Tampico, Tamps. (MZ)	719	Total of top 25	40,267
Culiacán, Sin. (City)	696		
Mexicali, B.C. (City)	696	Percent of total Mexican population	44.1

NOTE: For definitions and explanations of city and MZ (metropolitan zone), see Appendix B.

SOURCE: Instituto Nacional de Estadística, Geografía e Informática. Dirección General de Contabilidad Nacional, Estudios Socioeconómicos y Precios. *Estadísticas del Medio Ambiente*, 1997. (Aguascalientes, Ags.: 1998).

t | a | b | l | e 1-1c**Top 25 U.S. Population Centers: 1996**

(Thousands)

Metropolitan area	1996	Metropolitan area	1996
New York, NY-NJ-CT-PA (CMSA)	19,938	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI (MSA)	2,765
Los Angeles, CA (CMSA)	15,495	Phoenix-Mesa, AZ (MSA)	2,747
Chicago, IL-IN-WI (CMSA)	8,600	San Diego, CA (MSA)	2,655
Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV (CMSA)	7,165	St. Louis, MO-IL (MSA)	2,548
San Francisco-Oakland, CA (CMSA)	6,605	Pittsburgh, PA (MSA)	2,747
Philadelphia, PA-NJ-DE-MD (CMSA)	5,973	Denver, CO (CMSA)	2,277
Boston, MA-NH-ME-CT (CMSA)	5,563	Tampa, FL (MSA)	2,199
Detroit, MI (CMSA)	5,284	Portland, OR-WA (CMSA)	2,078
Dallas-Ft. Worth, TX (CMSA)	4,575	Cincinnati, OH-KY-IN (CMSA)	1,921
Houston, TX (CMSA)	4,253	Kansas City, MO-KS (MSA)	1,690
Atlanta, GA (MSA)	3,541	Milwaukee, WI (CMSA)	1,643
Miami-Ft. Lauderdale, FL (CMSA)	3,514	Total of top 25	122,010
Seattle-Tacoma, WA (CMSA)	3,321		
Cleveland-Akron, OH (CMSA)	2,913	Percent of total U.S. population	45.9

NOTE: For definitions and explanations of MSA (metropolitan statistical area) and CMSA (consolidated metropolitan statistical area), see Appendix B.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Commerce. U.S. Census Bureau. *Statistical Abstract of the United States: 1998*. (Washington, DC: 1998).

t | a | b | l | e 1-2**Area**

(Number of square kilometers)

	Canada	Mexico	United States
Total area	9,970,610	2,173,375	9,629,091
Land area	9,215,430	1,959,248	9,158,960
Water area	755,180	214,127	470,131

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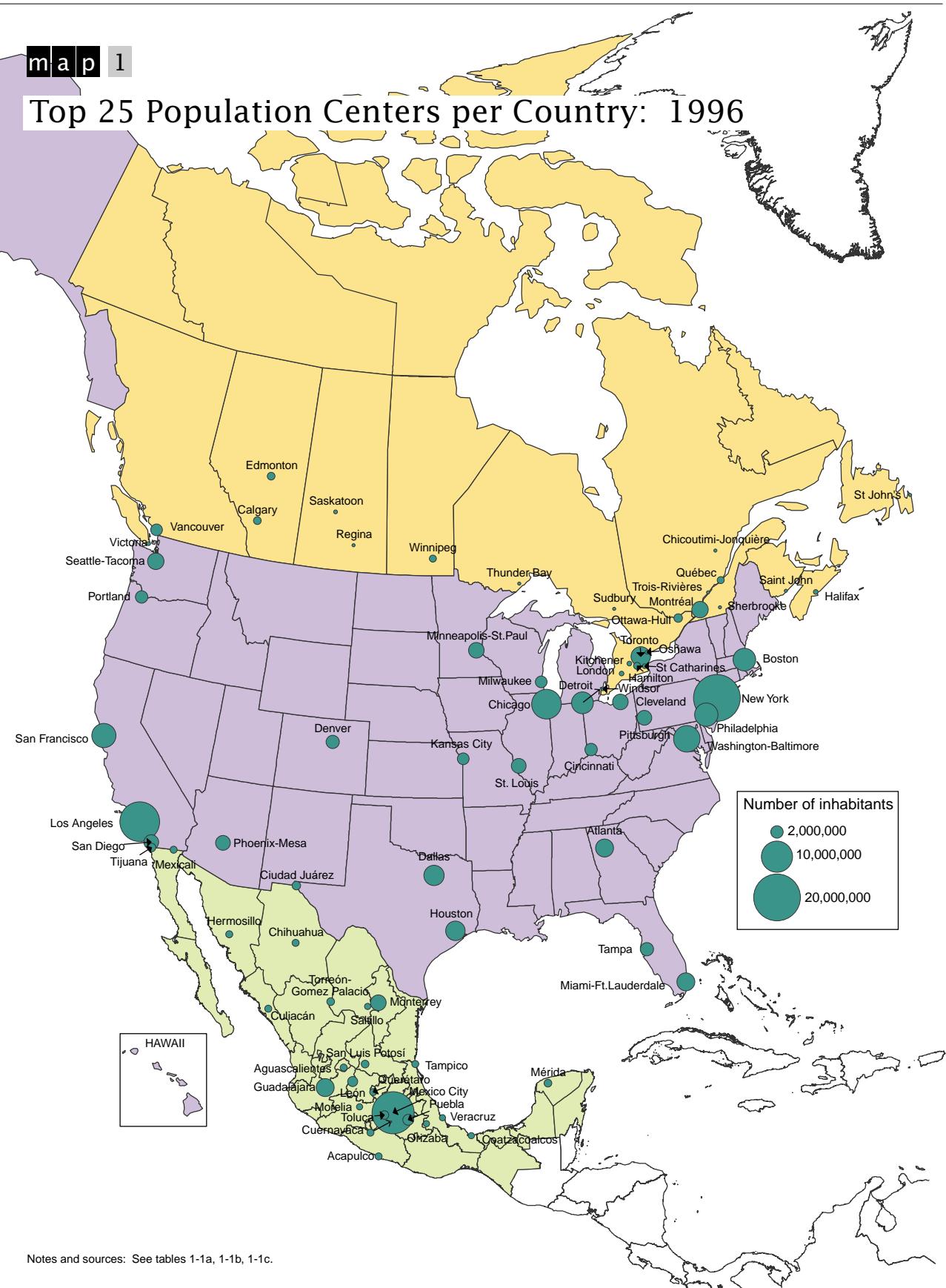
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Top 25 Population Centers per Country: 1996



Notes and sources: See tables 1-1a, 1-1b, 1-1c.

table 1-3

Gross Domestic Product by Industry

(Current value, billions (or thousand millions) of U.S. dollars)

	Canada			Mexico			United States		
	1990	1995	1996	1990	1995	1996	1990	1995	1996
Total	540.1	545.9	P568.7	240.4	261.5	302.2	5,743.8	7,269.6	7,661.6
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	12.4	14.1	15.2	18.9	14.3	18.4	108.7	109.5	130.4
Mining	23.8	21.3	25.5	5.6	4.5	4.7	112.3	98.7	113.8
Construction	41.7	28.9	30.2	9.4	10.6	12.6	245.2	286.4	311.9
Manufacturing	91.6	100.8	104.2	50.0	54.5	65.1	1,031.4	1,282.2	1,309.1
Transportation	18.3	18.9	19.3	19.0	21.8	26.1	176.4	226.1	237.0
Trucking, warehousing and storage	7.7	8.7	8.6	9.7	9.4	11.3	75.8	98.0	92.9
Railroad	2.6	2.3	2.5	0.8	0.5	0.5	19.6	22.9	23.4
Water	1.6	1.4	1.3	0.7	0.7	0.7	9.7	10.9	11.7
Pipeline, excluding natural gas	0.6	0.6	0.6	U	U	U	5.0	4.9	5.2
Air	3.2	3.2	3.4	0.4	0.7	0.9	39.4	53.9	65.2
Local and interurban passenger	2.1	2.0	2.0	5.7	8.3	10.1	9.0	12.2	13.0
Transportation services	0.7	0.7	0.7	1.6	2.1	2.5	17.8	23.2	25.5
Communications	15.2	15.4	16.1	2.9	4.4	4.7	146.6	193.3	207.5
Utilities	17.8	20.9	21.7	3.3	3.3	3.5	159.3	197	204.9
Commerce	62.9	58.3	60.5	48.4	42.2	51.5	870.8	1,132.4	1,192.8
Wholesale trade	29.3	28.6	30.0	U	U	U	367.3	491.4	519.8
Retail trade	33.6	29.7	30.5	U	U	U	503.5	641.0	673.0
Finance, insurance and real estate	88.2	97.3	101.4	29.1	34.0	38.0	1,025.2	1,362.3	1,448.6
Services	120.9	124.2	128.7	47.0	62.3	67.7	1,059.4	1,445.4	1,544.2
Government	47.2	46.0	45.7	6.9	9.4	10.0	792.5	962.7	993.7

KEY: p = Data are preliminary. U = Data are unavailable.

NOTES

All Countries

Industry Classification: The industry groupings included in this table are based on a modification of the 1987 U.S. Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system. The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS), which went into effect for the reference year 1997 in Canada and the United States and in 1998 in Mexico, differs from the system used in this table. NAICS industry categories will allow for greater data comparability and consistency across the three countries.

Pipeline, excluding natural gas: For Canada and the United States, oil pipelines are included. Oil pipeline data for Mexico are included in both manufacturing and mining and cannot be separated from these categories.

Utilities: Include electricity, natural gas, water, sanitation and other utility services.

Transportation services: Includes services of travel agencies, tour operators, freight forwarders and brokers, rental services and other miscellaneous types of transportation services.

United States

Total: The GDP total does not equal the sum of industry categories due to the statistical discrepancy reported in the source data but omitted in this table. For the exact amounts of these, see Appendix B.

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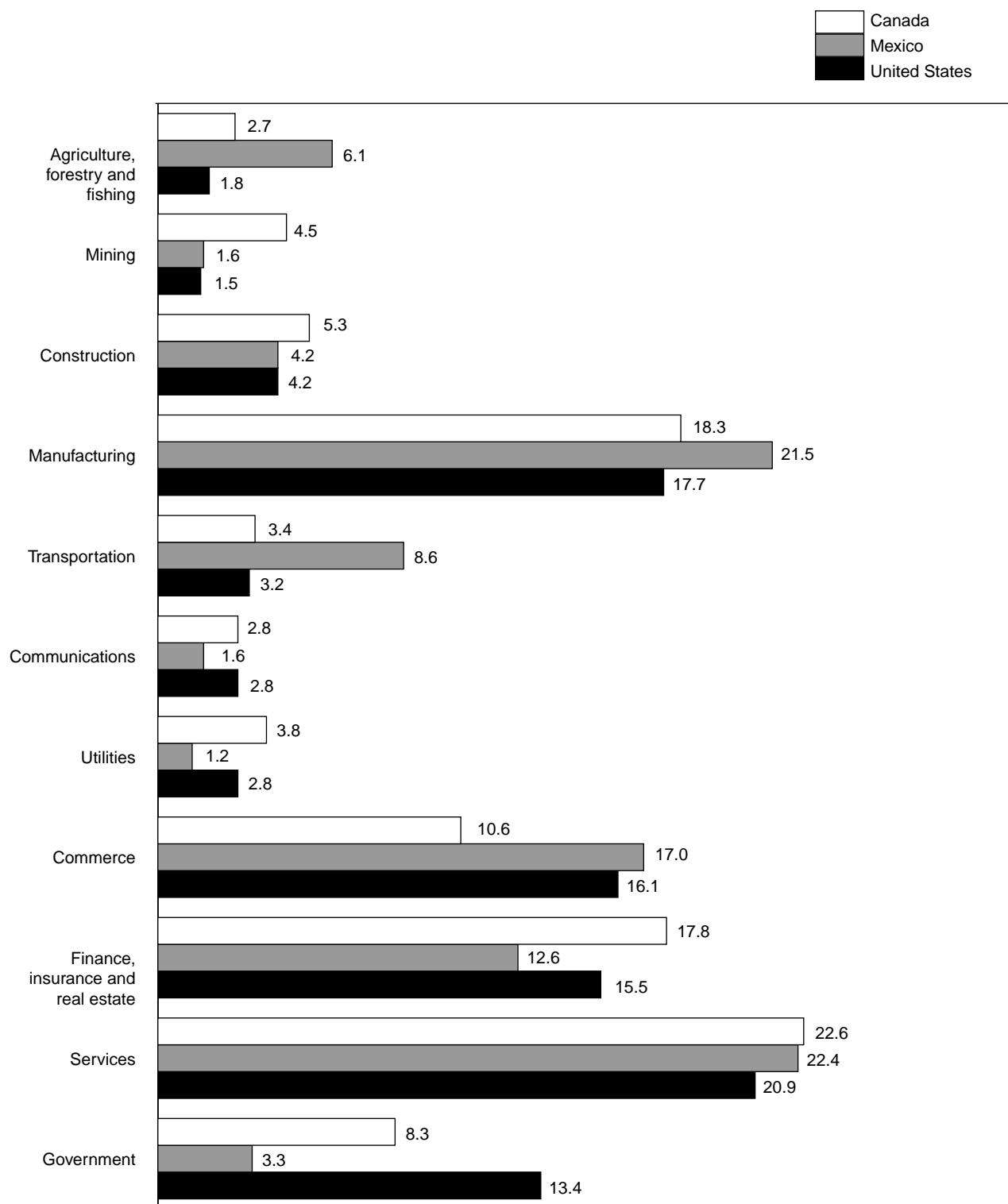
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Percent Share of GDP Industry Category: 1996

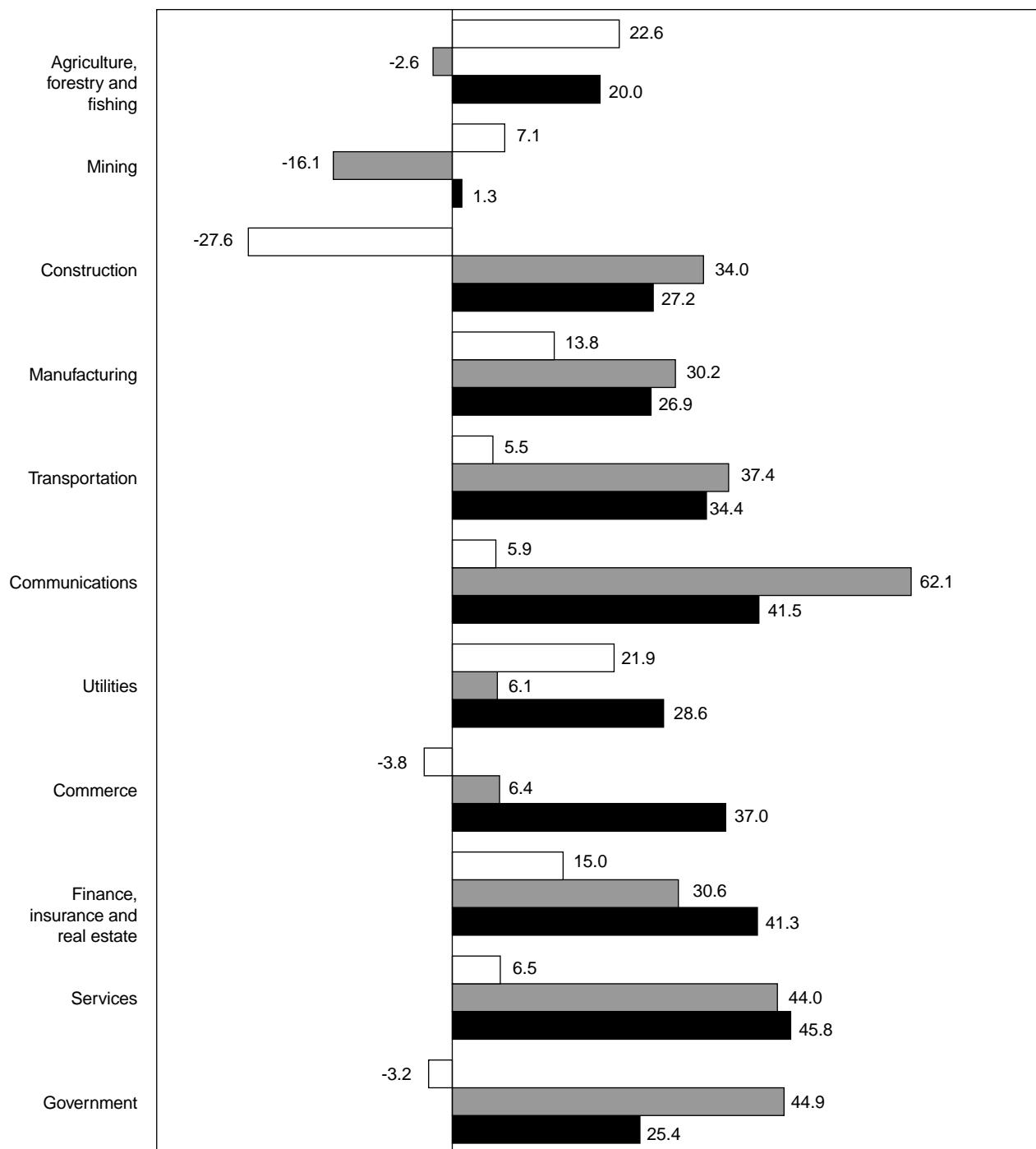


Notes and sources: See Table 1-3.

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Percent Change in GDP Industry Category: 1990 to 1996

Canada
Mexico
United States

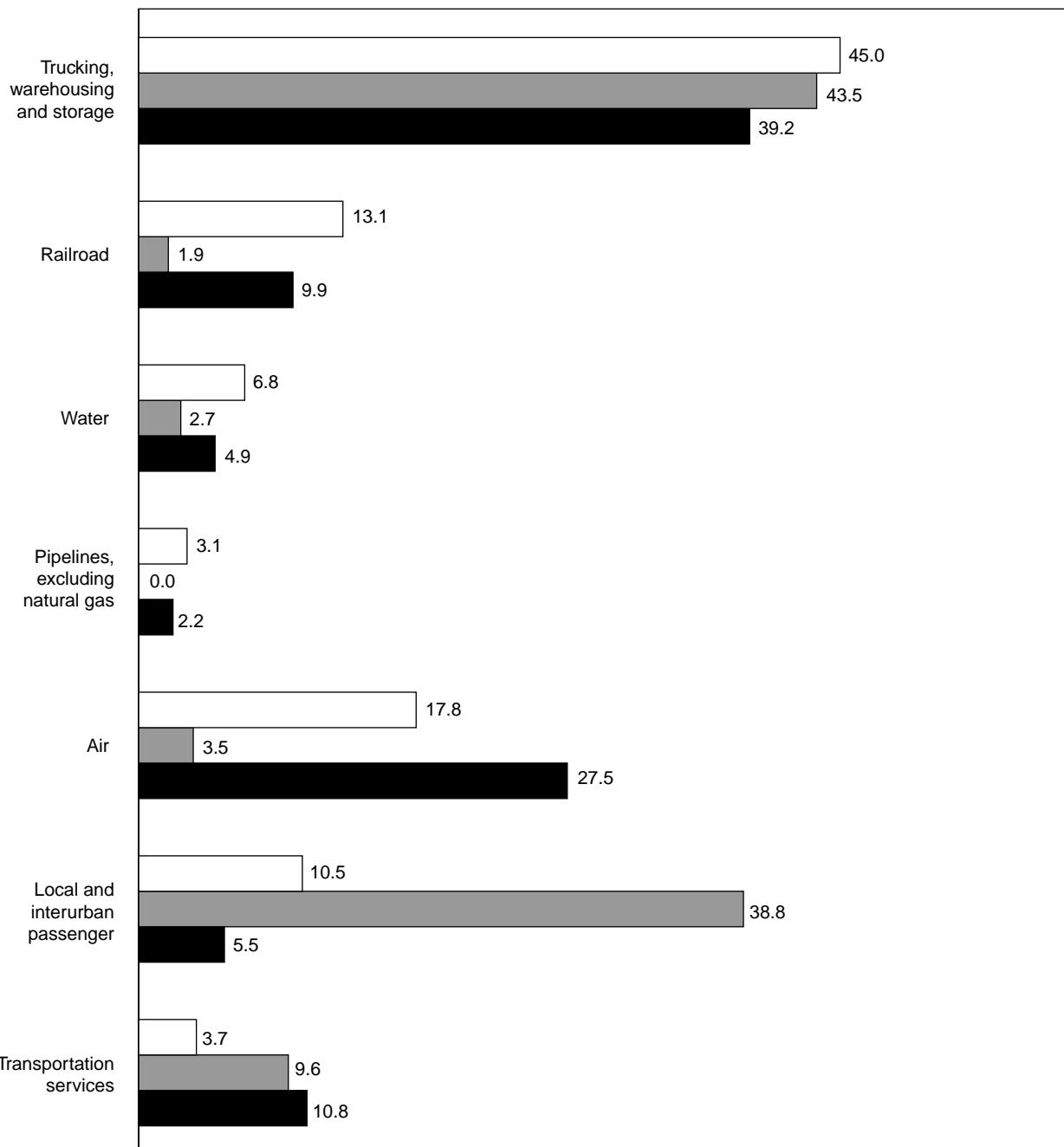


Notes and sources: See Table 1-3.

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Percent Share of Transportation Industry GDP by Subcategory: 1996

Canada
Mexico
United States



Pipeline, excluding natural gas.

Data for Mexico are included in both manufacturing and mining GDP industries, and cannot be separated from these categories.

Notes and sources: See Table 1-3.